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MEMORANDUM

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RE: EPA Risk Assessment on ETS

Covington & Burling has obtained additional information about the ETS risk assessment project currently underway at EPA.

According to Covington's sources, EPA's Human Health Assessment Group (formerly the Carcinogen Assessment Group) assigned risk assessment study to the Batelle Company, which [illegible] standing task order contract with EPA. Batelle subcontracted with Ken Brown, a private consultant formerly on [illegible] the Department of Health and Human Services' National Institute for Environmental Health Sciences. Brown's project cost is $40,000.

Brown's project manager at EPA, Steve Bayard, has received three of the five chapters Brown plans to produce; the remainder will be forwarded to EPA within two weeks. Once the draft is complete, the study will undergo initial review within EPA's Research and Development and Indoor Air Quality offices. Within a month, the draft [illegible] be circulated more widely for a general administrative review.

EPA hopes to publish the study [illegible] Federal Register by mid-October, invite public comment [illegible] request a review by the Science Advisory Board. [illegible] complete its review by the end of November.

The industry may have access to the [illegible] study by September [illegible] the internal review process. In addition to filing comments at the appropriate time, we may have the opportunity to address the Science Advisory Board during its consideration of the study.

Please let me know if you have questions or comments.

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